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House Bill No. 5024
As Amended by House Amendment
Schedule "A"

Approved by the Legislative Commissioner
April 16, 2010

**AN ACT CONCERNING AN EDUCATION DOCTORAL DEGREE
PROGRAM IN NURSING EDUCATION.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 10a-149 of the 2010 supplement to the general
2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
3 (*Effective from passage*):

4 In addition to other powers granted in the general statutes,
5 authority and responsibility for the operation of the state's public
6 institutions of higher education shall be vested in (1) the Board of
7 Trustees of The University of Connecticut which shall have exclusive
8 responsibility for programs leading to doctoral degrees and
9 postbaccalaureate professional degrees, with the exception of
10 education doctoral degree programs, (2) the Board of Trustees of the
11 Connecticut State University System which shall have special
12 responsibility for the preparation of personnel for the public schools of
13 the state including master's degree programs, education doctoral
14 degree programs, including an education doctoral degree program in
15 nursing education, and other graduate study in education, and

16 authority for providing liberal arts and career programs at the
17 bachelors, masters and sixth year level, (3) the Board of Trustees of the
18 Community-Technical Colleges which shall have responsibility for
19 providing programs, as enumerated in section 10a-80, leading, where
20 appropriate, to an associate degree or occupational certificate and
21 programs leading to the degree of associate in applied science and
22 such other appropriate degrees or certificates as are approved by the
23 Board of Governors of Higher Education and for such terminal
24 vocational retraining and continuing education programs leading to
25 occupational certificates as are appropriate, and (4) the Board for State
26 Academic Awards which shall have responsibility for the award of
27 external degrees and credits earned by examination and by other
28 forms of validation and by evaluation of learning, including transfer of
29 credit; provided the authority of the Boards of Trustees of The
30 University of Connecticut, the Connecticut State University System
31 and the Community-Technical Colleges to award degrees of the
32 respective institutions shall not be affected.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	10a-149
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The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 11 \$	FY 12 \$
CT State Univ.	GF - See Below	See Below	See Below

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The Connecticut State University system can offer a doctoral degree in nursing education by reallocating existing resources from other areas with less demand, and sharing resources such as faculty, library holdings and facilities resulting in no cost to the state. The estimated initial cost of the program will require the reallocation of approximately \$100,000 in the resources noted above.

House "A" (LCO 2945) makes the bill effective upon passage and has no fiscal impact.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation. The program will require the reallocation of approximately \$200,000 in resources including faculty, library holdings and facilities at full implementation.

OLR Bill Analysis**HB 5024 (as amended by House "A")******AN ACT CONCERNING AN EDUCATION DOCTORAL DEGREE
PROGRAM IN NURSING EDUCATION.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill specifically authorizes the Connecticut State University System (CSUS) to award doctoral degrees in nursing education. It expands the CSUS's degree-granting authority, which currently includes doctoral degrees in education; masters degrees and other graduate study in education; and liberal arts and career programs at the bachelors, masters, and sixth year level.

*House Amendment "A" makes the bill effective upon passage.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

COMMITTEE ACTION

Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference

Yea 19 Nay 0 (02/18/2010)

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 30 Nay 0 (03/10/2010)

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 51 Nay 0 (04/12/2010)